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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

### In the Claims

11. (amended) [A composition for inducing an immune response against transformed, infected or diseased tissue] The method of claim 1 comprising contacting the blood or components thereof with molecules binding to soluble cytokine receptor molecules, wherein the cytokine is selected from the group consisting of GM-CSF, erythropoietin, thrombopoietin, G-CSF, M-CSF and SCF, wherein binding of the molecule prevents the soluble cytokine receptor from binding to the cytokine, in an amount effective to reduce the amount of transformed, infected, or diseased tissue, wherein the molecules are in a pharmaceutically acceptable, endotoxin free carrier or immobilized in a sterile endotoxin free extracorporeal device.

Please cancel claims 12-16.

### Remarks

#### Amendment to Priority

This application has been amended to claim priority to applicant's earlier applications describing the claimed subject matter.

#### Restriction Requirement

The examiner divided claims 1-16 into two groups, group I, claims 1-10, and group II, claims 11-16. Applicants elect group I, without traverse. Claim 11 has been amended to depend from claim 1 and the remaining claims cancelled.